

SMART Transportation Solution team receives Arthur Award

The Naval Transportation Support Center (NAVTRANS) SMART Transportation Solution team (STS) was recently selected as a 2001 Admiral Stan Arthur Award winner. The Stan Arthur Award recognizes military and civilian logisticians who epitomize excellence in logistics planning and execution. A Flag/SES panel reviewed candidates and selected winners based on innovations which merit special recognition. For year 2001, military and civilian logisticians were selected, and logistics teams were selected in each of three sub-categories: operational, acquisition, and joint logistics.

The STS team selected as the Acquisition Logistics Team of the Year was composed of members from Naval Transportation Support Center (Lt. Cmdr. Paul Park and Carolyn Graves) and the Naval Inventory Control Point (Lt. Cmdr. Ken Broomer, John Null, Joe Roebuck, Ron Emerick, and Bob Sax). This team developed an advanced planning and scheduling system (SMART transportation Solution) to perform transportation functions for logistics contracts that are beginning to feature the new Performance Based Logistics (PBL) support strategy. This team's system has resulted in improved same day shipping service to vendors and near 100% in-transit shipment visibility. Process improvements include a reduction in misrouted shipments, shipment losses, and cost savings associated with direct overseas shipping.

The STS is a NAVSUP sponsored initiative under the Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) and was developed to perform certain transportation functions as a link of the supply chain. STS is truly a "solution" in that it effectively facilitates the efficient shipment of Navy material to activities located around the world, while providing enhanced visibility of that material to managers and customers, and capturing and making available transportation related data for better resource planning across the entire Enterprise.

In performing the transportation function, the SMART Transportation Solution incorporates Required Delivery Date (RDD) and transportation priority, and then optimizes transportation decisions such as method of shipment, selection of transportation carrier and overall costs to meet the RDD and satisfy the requisition requirement. The STS significantly automates the addressing and marking aspect of the shipping process for commercial vendors providing material to the Navy by providing access to the Cargo Routing Information File and incorporating a military shipping label production capability. The STS makes it advantageous for the



Admiral Stanley R. Arthur (Ret.), Lieutenant Commander Paul Park (Naval Transportation Support Center), Bob Sax (Naval Inventory Control Point, Philadelphia), Lieutenant Commander Ken Broomer (Naval Inventory Control Point, Mechanicsburg), Vice Admiral Charles W. Moore Jr. (Deputy Chief of Naval Operations, Fleet Readiness and Logistics)

Government to act as the "shipper" on Direct Vendor Deliveries (DVD), vice including transportation as part of the initial procurement contract.

Other 2001 Admiral Stan Arthur winners include Military Logistician of the Year Lt. Cmdr. Peter Stamatopolous, SC, USN, CTF 53. The Civilian Logistician of the Year is Billy W. Bruner, Jr., Logistics Management Specialist, Ship Material and Readiness Division, COMNAVAIRPAC. The Operational Logistics Team of the Year is the Maritime Logistics Data Network (MLDN) Functional Support Team from USS Harry S. Truman and COMNAVAIRLANT. The Joint Logistics Team of the Year is the Auxiliary Power Unit (APU) Total Logistics Support Team, comprised of members from COMNAVAIRSYSCOM, Naval Aviation Depot Cherry Point, and NAVICP, Philadelphia.

An award ceremony was held at the Pentagon on June 27.

